Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims:

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- 1-4. (Cancelled).
- 5. (Currently Amended) An inductor comprising:
 - a substrate comprising a semiconductor material;
 - a first dielectric layer over the substrate;
- a first magnetic layer over the first dielectric layer to reduce eddy currents including a slot having a first shape;
 - a second dielectric layer over the first magnetic layer;
- a conductor over the second dielectric layer <u>having a second shape</u>, the <u>first shape is independent of the second shape</u>;
 - a second magnetic layer over the conductor; and

wherein the <u>first and second</u> magnetic layers comprises an amorphous alloy comprising cobalt, zirconium, and at least one element selected from the list of tantalum, niobium, and a rare earth element.

- 6. (Currently Amended) An inductor comprising:
 - a substrate comprising a semiconductor material;
 - a first dielectric layer over the substrate;

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a second dielectric layer over the magnetic layer; and

a conductor over the second dielectric layer, the conductor having a first shape;

wherein the magnetic layer defines at least one slot, the slot having a second shape independent of a the first shape of the conductor.

- 7. (Currently Amended) An inductor comprising:
 - a substrate comprising a semiconductor material;
 - a first dielectric layer over the substrate;
- a first magnetic layer over the first dielectric layer to reduce eddy currents including a slot having a first shape;
 - a second dielectric layer over the first magnetic layer;
- a conductor over the second dielectric layer <u>having a second shape</u>, the <u>first shape is independent of the second shape</u>;
 - a third dielectric layer over the conductor; and
 - a second magnetic layer over the third dielectric layer.
- 8. (Cancelled)
- 9. (Original) The inductor of claim 7, wherein the magnetic layers are connected.

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10. (Cancelled).

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- 11. (Withdrawn from consideration) The inductor of claim 1, wherein the first dielectric layer and the magnetic layer define one or more trenches and wherein the conductor defines a signal path along the one or more trenches.
- 12-17. (Cancelled).
- 18. (Withdrawn from consideration) The inductor of claim 12, wherein the first dielectric layer defines one or more trenches and wherein the conductor defines a signal path along the one or more trenches.